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1. Bezirk Headquarters Cottbus:

The collection of signatures for the Viennese Appeal had slightly better results. The main argument of the people against the Warsaw treaty was that this treaty, like the Paris Agreements, would increase international tensions and not facilitate the reunification of Germany. The result of the recruitment campaign for the KVP remained unsatisfactory in the country, while slightly better results were achieved at industrial enterprises.

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2. Bezirk Headquarters Dresden:

Slightly better results were achieved in the KVP recruitment campaign. Many female SED members recently withdrew from active party work. This was attributed to the fact that female party members fail to understand the necessity of the recruitment campaign for the KVP and of the defense measures taken in the GDR. The teachers in secondary and professional schools showed much opposition in the fulfilment of their "patriotic tasks".

3. Bezirk Headquarters Erfurt:

Many party members who had the necessary qualifications rejected the idea of working as party functionaries. The majority of the delegates from Kreis Gotha failed to attend the 2d Conference of Kreis Delegates without explaining their absence. This situation was attributed to successful enemy propaganda.

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4. Bezirk Headquarters Gera:

The success of the KVP recruitment campaign was detrimentally affected by the egoism of factory functionaries who induced efficient workers not to volunteer for the KVP but to stay at their factories because they had an important task to fulfil there. These workers were also told that they would make more money if they continued to work at factories.

5. Bezirk Headquarters Halle:

In many nationalized enterprises it was noticed that the number of young workers who were on sick-lists increased considerably when a KVP recruitment commission was expected at the enterprise. The propaganda campaign for the reunification of Germany decreased in all organizations.

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6. Bezirk Headquarters Chemnitz (Karl-Marx Stadt):

The number of subscribers to party newspapers dropped considerably. Many party members declared that they were unable to defray the cost of the subscription to these newspapers. The managements of many machine and tractor stations submitted over-optimistic and doctored reports on the extent of cultivation work done by them. Due to poor agitation by party headquarters, the Soviet disarmament proposals met with very little response among the people. The reserve exercised by the intelligentsia was particularly great. Party work in the country did not make much progress. The KVP recruitment campaign met with strong opposition in Chemnitz and Plauen factories. Most of the young workers in these factories openly declared that they refused to take up arms.

7. Bezirk Headquarters Leipzig:

Much confusion prevailed among full-time party functionaries concerning the agitation for the rearmament of the GDR. Most of the functionaries declared themselves unable to interpret the organization of military forces as an outcome of a peace policy. Due to anti-state propaganda the volume of farm deliveries decreased. Above all, farmers retained livestock suitable for slaughter.

8. Bezirk Headquarters Magdeburg:

The difficulties experienced in the KVP recruitment campaign in the Magdeburg enterprises for heavy machine construction have been mostly overcome. In the western Kreise of the Bezirk young persons of military age still nurse pacifist tendencies. FDGB organs failed to cooperate in efforts to raise the work productivity of workers.

9. Bezirk Headquarters Neubrandenburg:

There was much negligence in the executing of the repair program for harvesting machines. On 31 May, more than one third of all the agricultural machinery available at machine tractor stations, agricultural production cooperatives, and nationalized farms was not serviceable.

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10. Bezirk Headquarters Rostock:

The attempts to establish new fishing cooperatives failed. Especially in Ruegen Island, there were brawls between fishermen and party instructors who wanted to induce fishermen to establish new fishing cooperatives.

11. Bezirk Headquarters Schwerin:

The systematic propaganda activity of the party and the National Front improved in efficiency. The propaganda slogan that the West planned to liberate the Eastern Zone of Germany by force proved effective among farmers resettled in the Bezirk.

12. SED Organization of the Wismut A.G.:

By 31 May, the 10% increase of work norms was introduced without incident.

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